



EVERETT POLICE DEPARTMENT
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Initial Case Report

Case Report # 2016-00029814

NARRATIVE

On 03/20/2016 at 0605 hours I responded to Fairfax Mental Health at 916 Pacific Avenue. Based on past investigations I know that Fairfax is a secure mental health facility that houses patients [REDACTED]

When I arrived at the location I spoke with an employee [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] is a registered nurse. She was wearing scrubs and an ID badge that identified her as an employee. [REDACTED] advised that she had been struck in the face by a patient, [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] was now in an isolation room and security was with him.

[REDACTED] said that they had been having problems with [REDACTED] all day. At around midnight staff had called 911 because [REDACTED] had barricaded himself in the conference room (See incident #2016-29755). Security had to force entry on the room and pepper sprayed [REDACTED] in the process. Once he was secured he was allowed to return to the public spaces.

This morning he began collecting chairs ([REDACTED] said that he was trying to barricade himself in a room again). They told him to stop. [REDACTED] then jumped over the counter that separates the nurses station. [REDACTED] and another employee, [REDACTED] attempted to restrain him by grabbing onto his left and right arms. They were able to force him out of the nurses station, but he broke free at that point. They grabbed him again in the hallway, attempting to restrain him.

Once in the hallway [REDACTED] began violently attempting to escape. He elbowed [REDACTED] in the stomach, causing her to fall to the ground. He ripped away from [REDACTED] then turned and struck her in the right side of her face with his fist. [REDACTED] then fled down the hallway, circled back to the nurses station and jumped the counter again. This time he was detained by another employee.

[REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] had been [REDACTED] a few days previously.

I contacted [REDACTED] who appeared to be calm in the isolation room. I advised [REDACTED] of who I was and why we were at the location. I informed him of his rights from my department issued card. [REDACTED] stated that he understood his rights. When I asked if he wanted to speak with me he said "Yes". He then said "But afterward can I talk to a lawyer?". I said of course, but clarified that he was willing to speak with me now, without legal counsel. He said "yes" and began talking.

[REDACTED] was difficult to keep on topic. He began talking about the circumstances that led to his [REDACTED] at the mental health facility. I did note that he appeared to be fully aware of his actions and the circumstances that led to him being [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] said that the hospital had violated his rights. He said that the nurses were making him take medications and stated that per the [REDACTED] patients rights he was only required to accept life-saving treatment. In protest he said that he had barricaded himself in the conference room.

Once that incident had been resolved, [REDACTED] continued his protest this morning. [REDACTED] stated that he was attempting to call 911 to get assistance (all the phones that [REDACTED] would have access to are not able to call out to 911). [REDACTED] stated that he realized this and jumped the counter in an attempt to get to a phone that would dial out. I asked about the two employees who had contacted him. He said that he was able to "throw them" because he was a man and they were "girls". He said that they tried to detain him, but he was able to run away because "again, I'm a man".

I did notice that [REDACTED] was physically larger than both [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. I left [REDACTED] in the room, monitored by staff.

I spoke with [REDACTED] next. She said that it had hurt when [REDACTED] had elbowed him. She said that once she saw [REDACTED] get struck she did not want to re-engage [REDACTED] because she was worried he would assault her next. They contacted security and 911.

Neither [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] had any visible injuries, nor did they complain of any lingering pain.

I certify or declare under the penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing statement is true and correct. (RCW 9A.72.085)

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I viewed the video at the location and could clearly see the incident on camera. The video supports [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]'s account, [REDACTED] it appears initially is trying to get away from them. He elbows [REDACTED] at that point. As he is pulling away he turns and strikes [REDACTED] in the face with his fist.

[REDACTED] is a registered nurse and identified as such by her ID badge, [REDACTED] is an assistant and not a registered nurse or other staff member that meets the criteria for an assault 3. Therefore I determined that there was probable cause to arrest [REDACTED] for one count of assault 3 and one count of assault 4.

I contacted [REDACTED] again. He was detained in handcuffs without incident and I informed him that he was under arrest. [REDACTED] asked why and I explained the circumstances to him. He admitted that he was trying to get away but said that he did not intend to strike either of the staff members. He defended his position saying that it was his right to call 911, and they were denying that to him.

[REDACTED] was searched incident to arrest locating nothing of note. I transported him to Snohomish County Jail where he was booked. I provided staff at the jail with his court commitment order and other medical paperwork.

I have requested a copy of the video be collected by the department's digital forensic unit.

No further action taken.

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